

Monday, November 2, 2015

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, November 3, 2015.

### Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 11 public bills, H.R. 3868–3878; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 508–509, were introduced. **Page H7389**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7390–91**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1575, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make permanent the pilot program on counseling in retreat settings for women veterans newly separated from service in the Armed Forces (H. Rept. 114–319);

H.R. 3144, to require consultation with the Aviation Security Advisory Committee regarding modifications to the prohibited item list, require a report on the Transportation Security Oversight Board, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–320);

H.R. 3361, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Insider Threat Program, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–321);

H.R. 3503, to require an assessment of fusion center personnel needs, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–322);

H.R. 3505, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve the management and administration of the security clearance processes throughout the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–323);

H.R. 3598, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance the partnership between the Department of Homeland Security and the National

Network of Fusion Centers, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–324); and

H. Res. 507, providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 22) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt employees with health coverage under TRICARE or the Veterans Administration from being taken into account for purposes of determining the employers to which the employer mandate applies under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; providing for proceedings during the period from November 6, 2015, through November 13, 2015; and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 114–325). **Page H7389**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Allen to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7349**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:02 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H7349**

**Member Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Boehner, wherein he resigned as Representative for the Eighth Congressional District of Ohio, effective on October 31, 2015. **Page H7350**

**Whole Number of the House:** Under clause 5(d) of Rule 20, the Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Ohio, Mr. Boehner, the whole number of the House is 434. **Page H7350**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:11 p.m. and reconvened at 4:07 p.m. **Page H7351**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Department of Homeland Security Insider Threat and Mitigation Act of 2015:* H.R. 3361, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Insider Threat Program;

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*Department of Homeland Security Clearance Management and Administration Act:* H.R. 3505, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve the management and administration of the security clearance processes throughout the Department of Homeland Security;

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*Fusion Center Enhancement Act of 2015:* H.R. 3598, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance the partnership between the Department of Homeland Security and the National Network of Fusion Centers;

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*Department of Homeland Security Support to Fusion Centers Act of 2015:* H.R. 3503, amended, to require an assessment of fusion center personnel needs;

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*Expressing concern over anti-Israel and anti-Semitic incitement within the Palestinian Authority:* H. Res. 293, amended, expressing concern over anti-Israel and anti-Semitic incitement within the Palestinian Authority;

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*Directing the President to develop a strategy to obtain observer status for Taiwan in the International Criminal Police Organization:* H.R. 1853, to direct the President to develop a strategy to obtain observer status for Taiwan in the International Criminal Police Organization, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 392 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 582; and

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*Global Anti-Poaching Act:* H.R. 2494, amended, to support global anti-poaching efforts, strengthen the capacity of partner countries to counter wildlife trafficking, and designate major wildlife trafficking countries.

**Pages H7367–72**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 6:08 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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**Suspension—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

*Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the safety and security of Jewish communities in Europe:* H. Res. 354, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the safety and security of Jewish communities in Europe.

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**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he terminated the designation of Burundi as a beneficiary sub-Saharan African country under the African Growth and Opportunity Act pro-

gram—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 114–72).

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**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on pages H7349, H7350.

**Senate Referral:** S. 1731 was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yeas-and-nays vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on page H7372. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### SENATE AMENDMENTS TO THE HIRE MORE HEROES ACT OF 2015

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on Senate amendments to H.R. 22, the “Hire More Heroes Act of 2015” [DRIVE Act] [General debate]. The committee granted, by voice vote, a rule that provides for the consideration of the Senate amendments to H.R. 22. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the Senate amendment. The rule provides that the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted. In section 2, the rule provides that an amendment consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–32 shall be in order, shall be considered as pending, shall be considered as read, shall not be debatable, shall not be subject to amendment except for the amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report, and shall not be subject for a demand for the division of the question. The rule makes in order only the further amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–32 and the amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. In section 3, the rule provides that at the conclusion of consideration of the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report, no further consideration of the bill

shall occur except pursuant to a subsequent order of the House. In section 4, the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from November 6, 2015, through November 13, 2015: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment. In section 5, the rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 4. Finally, in section 6, the rule provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of November 5, 2015 for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules relating to a measure authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2016 for the Department of Defense. Testimony was heard from Chairman Shuster and Representative DeFazio.

#### TESTIMONY OF SUBPOENAED WITNESSES ON THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS ALLEGED MISUSE OF RELOCATION PROGRAM AND INCENTIVES

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Testimony of Subpoenaed Witnesses on the Department of Veterans Affairs Alleged Misuse of Relocation Program and Incentives". Testimony was heard from Danny Pummill, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2015

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

##### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the future of warfare, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* business meeting to consider the nomination of Adam J. Szubin, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes, Department of the Treasury, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Deborah R. Malac, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uganda, Lisa J. Peterson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Swaziland, and H. Dean Pittman, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mozambique, all of the Department of State, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security Cooperation, to hold hearings to examine Putin's invasion of Ukraine and the propaganda in Europe, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology and the Law, to hold hearings to examine data brokers, focusing on whether consumers' information is secure, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

##### House

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces; and Subcommittee on Readiness, joint hearing entitled "Aircraft Carrier—Presence and Surge Limitations. Expanding Power Projection Options", 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled "Future Options for the U.S. Nuclear Deterrent—Views from Project Atom", 3:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade; and Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, joint hearing entitled "Examining the EU Safe Harbor Decision and Impacts for Transatlantic Data Flows", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Examining Legislation to Improve Medicare and Medicaid", 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Power, markup on H.J. Res. 71, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to 'Standards of Performance for Greenhouse Gas Emissions from New, Modified, and Reconstructed Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units'; H.J. Res. 72, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to 'Carbon Pollution Emission Guidelines for Existing Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units', 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, markup on H.R. 2017, the "Common Sense Nutrition Disclosure Act of 2015"; H.R. 2446, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require the use of electronic visit verification for personal care services furnished under the Medicaid program; H.R. 2646, the "Helping Families in Mental Health Crisis Act"; H.R. 3014, the "Medical Controlled Substances Transportation Act"; H.R. 3537, the "Synthetic Drug Control Act of 2015"; H.R. 3716, the "Ensuring Terminated Providers Are Removed from Medicaid and CHIP Act"; and H.R. 3821, the "Medicaid Directory of Caregivers Act", 3 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1309, the "Systemic Risk Designation Improvement Act of 2015"; H.R. 1478, the "Policyholder Protection Act of 2015"; H.R. 1550, the "Financial Stability Oversight Council Improvement Act of 2015"; H.R. 1660, the "Federal Savings Association Charter Flexibility Act of 2015"; H.R. 2209, to require the appropriate Federal banking agencies to treat certain municipal obligations as level 2A liquid assets, and for other purposes;

H.R. 3340, the “Financial Stability Oversight Council Reform Act”; H.R. 3557, the “FSOC Transparency and Accountability Act”; H.R. 3738, the “Office of Financial Research Accountability Act of 2015”; the “Small Business Credit Availability Act”; H.R. 3857, to require the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Financial Stability Oversight Council to carry out certain requirements under the Financial Stability Act of 2010 before making any new determination under section 113 of such Act, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Defending Against Bioterrorism: How Vulnerable is America?”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing on H.R. 3438, the “Require Evaluation before Implementing Executive Wishlists Act of 2015”; and H.R. 2631, the “Regulatory Predictability for Business Growth Act of 2015”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing entitled “International Data Flows: Promoting Digital Trade in the 21st Century”, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “TSA: Security Gaps”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Operations; and Subcommittee on Information Technology, joint hearing entitled “Preparing for the 2020 Census: Will the Technology Be Ready?”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, Full Committee, hearing on Senate amendments to H.R. 22, the “Hire More Heroes Act of 2015” [DRIVE Act] [Amendment consideration], 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Subcommittee on Environment; and Subcommittee on Oversight, joint hearing entitled “The Renewable Fuel Standard: A Ten Year Review of Costs and Benefits”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing entitled “Examining VA’s Information Technology Systems that Provide Economic Opportunities for Veterans”, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing entitled “Better Coordinating Welfare Programs to Serve Families in Need”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the status of the Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan (CO-OP) Program, established under the President’s health care law, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, November 3

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Tuesday, November 3

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1140, Federal Water Quality Protection Act. At 2:30 p.m., Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of the Senate amendments to H.R. 22—DRIVE Act (Subject to a Rule).

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